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SUBJECT: FOLLOW-ON PCI CONTRACT

REF: LAZAR/CULBERTSON TELCOM OF 7/12/74

1. MEETING WAS HELD JULY 12 WITH AA/LA TO DISCUSS THE ACKERMAN REPORT; SPECIFICALLY, THE RECOMMENDATION THAT A POLICY BE ESTABLISHED CREATING A STRONG PRESUMPTION AGAINST EVALUATION CONTRACTORS BEING CONTRACTED AS IMPLEMENTORS OF THEIR EVALUATION. THE BUREAU FEELS THAT THE ISSUES UNDERLYING THIS PROPOSED POLICY REQUIRE EXTENSIVE ELABORATION AND CONSIDERATION BEFORE ANY DECISION CAN BE MADE REGARDING THIS RECOMMENDATION. GIVEN TIME REQUIRED FOR THIS REVIEW AND WITHOUT ACCEEDING TO THE VALIDITY OF ACKERMAN'S RECOMMENDATION AS STATED, WE ARE NOTIFYING PCI THAT UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, AID CANNOT PROCEED WITH FOLLOW-ON CONTRACT WITH PCI.

2. MEETING EMPHASIZED NEED TO PROCEED RAPIDLY ON PROVIDING MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE TO MOH PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF ADDITIONAL TIME NEEDED TO 1) IDENTIFY AND 2) NEGOTIATE

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WITH ALTERNATE CONTRACTOR.

3. AID/W, IN ORDER TO IDENTIFY QUICKLY REPLACEMENT(S) FOR
PCI, NEEDS A SCOPE OF WORK--OR SCOPES OF WORK--FOR THE
PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED TO PERFORM TASKS.

SUGGEST THAT MISSION TAKE PARTICULAR CARE IN SPECIFYING
ACTIONS WHICH NEW CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR WILL BE EXPECTED
TO UNDERTAKE SO AS TO DIFFERENTIATE THESE TASKS FROM THOSE
ALREADY PERFORMED BY PREVIOUS AUDITS AND PCI. AID/W PRE-
PARED TO TAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO EXPEDITE. REQUEST
MISSION FOCUS PARTICULARLY ON RELATIONSHIPS AMONG 19
RECOMMENDATIONS IN PCI EVALUATION AND ADVISE WHICH YOU SEE
AS OPERATIONALLY LINKED AND WHICH MIGHT BE SEPARABLE IN
THE EVENT TWO OR MORE INDIVIDUAL CONTRACTS WERE FOUND TO
BE MORE PRACTICABLE THAN A SINGLE INSTITUTIONAL CONTRACT.
AA/LA WILL REVIEW SCOPES OF WORK. KISSINGER

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